

# Countywide Recreation Advisory Board

## Minutes

March 21, 2022 – hybrid meeting

### Attendance

**Board:** Aravind Banda, Carl Blake, Marcus Coleman, Otto Gonzalez, Karen Kincer, Michael Ma, Mark Pharoah, Dave Pullen, Chris Richardson, Robera Tasissa, Felecia Wilson

**Ex Officio:** Ramona Bell-Pearson, Greg Kellner, Kendall Matthews, Jeneva Stone

**Staff:** Traci Anderson, Gary Burnett, Mike Coppersmith, Janet Dixon, Robin Riley, Sandra Samuel

Roll Called at 7:03pm by Janet Dixon

Quorum Called at 7:04pm by Karen Kincer

Karen introduced the two new board members: Robera Tasissa and Arvind Banda.

Review of February minutes. One minor correction – Michelle Bean moved to STAFF section of attendance. Mark motioned to approve February Minutes with the minor correction and Dave seconded. Minutes were approved.

### Ex-Officio Reports

#### CUPF – Ramona Bell-Person

-Presented updated handout on how to reach CUPF staff.

-Funds for Title I schools are currently available. Title I schools are identified during the initial application process.

#### CoA – Kendall Matthews

-Seniors are extremely happy to be back in centers.

-There will be a Active Aging Expo

-There is an ongoing letter writing campaign to state legislature.

#### MCPS – Greg Kellner

-Winter sports are complete and Spring sports are in full swing.

-MCPS activities have returned to pre-covid so no limitations on spectators.

#### CPWD – Jeneva Stone

Not present but sent note via Karen (these will be attachedd)

### Carl Blake

-will bring back discussion of use of Facebook at April's meeting.

### Don

-Job Description of Board Members, not ready to fully discuss. Still have items to flush out. What are the various areas of the county? Park areas vs Rec areas vs MCG service centers. Believes a map, a visual education piece, would be helpful.

### MCR

#### Robin

- Council voting tomorrow for the \$100K Youth Girl Sports Initiative.
- HerTime2Shine clinic at White Oak next week
- Respect Fest at Wheaton CRC this weekend.
- Praisner CRC is hosting a Prom Dress Give Away April 16<sup>th</sup> from 10am – 4pm.
- 55+ Barbeque Bash on June 22 at Damascus SRC
- Currently five community recreation centers are distributing PCR test kits for free
- We have returned to Long Branch and Coffield after major cleaning and significant repairs.
- Staff recruitment (career and seasonal) is beyond challenging.

#### Traci

FY23 Budget Submission was handed out and reviewed

### **MNCPPC**

#### Gary

- Budget discussion
- Encouraged to sign up to advocate for Parks

#### Mike

- Cherry Blossom Fun Run is happening
- Acoustic & Ales has been a success

-Salsa in the Park is coming up

-Drop in programs: Yoga and Chess Tournaments are underway

Mark

-Asks can the contact links on the Parks site be updated. Mike will review and update.

-Is there a master calendar for all county events?

-Maybe send events to Karen for her to forward to board?

Action Item:

Janet will sign up Karen to speak to Council about FY23 Budget.

Next meeting will be April 11<sup>th</sup>.

Motion to Adjourn Dave Pullen, Seconded by Mark Pharaoh

Meeting adjourned at 8:31pm

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Meeting Adjourned at